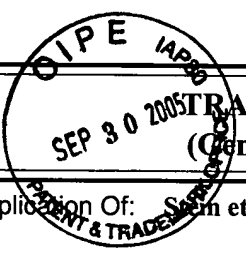


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The above-identified patent application was filed on March 31, 2004. As of today, a first action on the merits has not been received by this office and it is respectfully requested that the undersigned be provided with a statement of the status of this application.

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